

OREGON FRUITS AND NUTS

Utilized production of fruits and nuts in Oregon during 2000 decreased 4 percent from 1999 and 2 percent from 1998. The total value of these crops was down 21 percent from 1999 and 7 percent from two years earlier.

Oregon was the third leading state in production of all pears during 2000, contributing 23 percent of the nation's utilized production. The state ranked third in production of Bartlett pears and second in pears other than Bartletts. Oregon's sweet cherry production also ranked third in the nation, accounting for 18 percent of U.S. production. Oregon ranked seventh for all grape production and accounted for less than one percent of national production. The state's tart cherry production was seventh in the nation and accounted for 1.5 percent of

the U. S. total. Apple production also ranked seventh nationally, contributing 1.6 percent of U. S. production.

Other pears were the most valuable tree crop or nut crop in Oregon for 2000 with value of utilized production at \$48.7 million. Sweet cherries were the second highest valued crop with value of utilized production at \$27.4 million. Wine grapes were the third most valuable crop in Oregon at \$26.0 million. Hazelnuts ranked the fourth most valuable crop in 2000 at \$19.8 million. Bartlett pears were the fifth most valuable crop at \$17.5 million and apples were sixth with a value of utilized production of \$16.5 million. For the 2000 crop year, peaches were ranked the seventh most valuable crop at \$3.3 million; prunes and plums were eighth with 1.6 million dollars; and tart cherries were ninth with \$884 thousand.

**Value of production, percent of total, by fruit & nut crop
Oregon, 2000**

